



Weekly Bulletin ~ Bwletin Wythnosol

Autumn Term ~ 30th November 2018

This Week's Prayer

Our lives today are often frenetic and stressful in a multitude of ways: people even talk of the “run up to Christmas” as heightening the tension. This is most certainly not the way to prepare for the birth of Christ. We therefore pray:

Lord, help us to be aware of our restless bodies and minds. Help us to take time to be still – just to BE. May we be more conscious of your gentle presence, constantly nudging, guiding, supporting and holding us in your loving care. Help us to “be still and know that you are God”.

Amen.

Dates for the Diary

3 rd Dec	Year 8 Parents Evening [3.45-6.30pm]
5 th Dec	Christmas Concert [4-5.30pm]
6 th Dec	Year 11 Study Skills Evening [6.30pm]
7 th Dec	Non-uniform Day [Year 10 Charities]
11 th Dec	PTA Family Christmas Bingo [7pm]
13 th Dec	Expressive Arts Pantomime [Evening]
18 th Dec	Advent Liturgy for Parents [6.30pm]
21 st Dec	School closes for Christmas
7 th Jan	Staff Development Day
8 th Jan	School opens to Pupils
14 th Jan	Year 10 Parents Evening [3.45-6.30pm]

Year 11 Study Skills Evening

On Thursday, 6th December at 6.30pm, we will be hosting a Study Skills Evening for Year 11 pupils and their Parents/Carers. The talk will be delivered by Andrew Newton, a specialist in preparing pupils for exams, who has been extremely well received when he has addressed previous year groups. I urge all Year 11 pupils and their Parents/Carers to attend as we look to prepare for the December examinations and GCSEs.

Mr Griffiths

Attendance Matters

This week's whole school attendance is **95.9%**.

For the first time in a long time we have not reached our stretch target. Congratulations to years 7 & 8, particularly 8 Romero who will be receiving a prize from Mr Wilkinson. However – pupils in years 9, 10 and 11 need to make huge improvements. Nine out of ten forms in Years 9 and 10 are below stretch. Huge improvements are needed right across these year groups.

Mrs Ellis

Year	Cassidy	Devereux	King	Kolbe	Romero	Year Average
7	97.1☺	96.1	97.6☺	97.0	98.9☺	97.3
8	95.6	98.1☺	97.4	97.8☺	100.0☺☺☺	97.8☺
9	95.7	94.6	93.3	95.4	93.2	94.4
10	91.6	93.8	94.1	94.4	96.8☺	94.1
11	92.3	96.3	97.4☺	97.2	94.8	95.6
Family Average	94.5	95.8	96.0	96.4	96.7☺	